

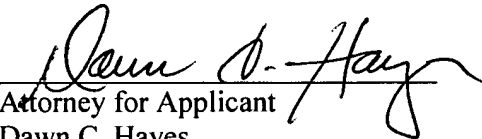
REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-11, 14-16, 18-23 and 27-36 are currently pending in this application, with Claims 1 and 20 being independent. In this Amendment, Claim 1 has been amended. The amendments presented herein are made for reasons of clarity with respect to the specification and drawings, and not for reasons related to the statutory requirements for patentability. No new matter has been introduced by way of this amendment.

Applicant respectfully requests that this Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 be entered. The amendment to Claim 1 does not alter the reasons the claimed invention is patentable over the art of record, as set forth in the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance.

Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for issuance. Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3549. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

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